



To our Readers.  
Any neglect on the part of our Carriers to deliver the STANDARD at the proper time and place will be promptly remedied on application at the Publication Office, next door to the Bank of British Columbia, Government Street.

The Daily Standard.  
Wednesday, December 20 1871.  
Omineca.

The news from Omineca that we publish this morning in the report of Mr. Gold Commissioner O'Reilly, may be taken as a carefully prepared summary of the results of a summer's mining in the northern country. He has no object in magnifying the amount of gold dust taken out,—neither has the Government. The changed state of the chances of the country, the bright future that is looking up under Confederation, with railways, Graving Docks, and surplus revenue, and with what is of greater value,—a prosperous, industrious, and contented people,—offer no inducement to Government or its agents to overdraw the picture. It is bad enough to differ on theoretical issues, without being called every day to press in industrial questions, to make the present weak ministry weaker than it is. Every one may then safely conclude that mining in Omineca has not been a "bilk." The two thousand miners, packers, traders, speculators, sports, and boatmen who visited that country in this year of grace, 1871, have taken out \$400,000 or \$200 each for a few months actual work in the mines. We believe that we are correct in saying that \$200 per annum is more per head than either the miners of Australia, California, or New Zealand realize on the average. When we consider that Australia and California have a climate which mining can be conducted the year round, the yield of the Omineca mines is greatly in excess of any mines in the world. They are man for man, with all their blanks, not only richer, but they promise to equal the famous mines of Williams and Arthur Creek. Men and State Checks are mentioned by Mr. O'Reilly as rich paying diggings,—and promise to pay still better in the future. We may then safely conclude that next year, the Omineca mines will be alive with people. Possibly not so many will be there as there were this year; but with the knowledge of the country acquired by a year's experience in prospecting,—with trails running in every direction,—with a steamboat from here to the Skeena,—with a steamboat on Tatla Lake,—and with the facilities of getting in provisions cheaper than ever before,—and the rate of passage money being less than this year,—we cannot but conclude that the Omineca mines will give a good account of themselves in the future, and particularly next year. The patient, saving, hardworking, industrious, and enterprising miner who has been unfortunate in not striking a lead this year, may possibly think that we have no grounds for picturing the Northern Mines in bright colors. But whilst we may not be able to convince that class to the contrary; yet we will continue to produce facts to justify our opinion. For instance, there are the facts expressed by Mr. O'Reilly—\$400,000. Next there is the fact of hundreds of miners bringing down gold dust collected in the creeks of the north, after paying starvation prices for their provisions; then there is the well-known fact that hundreds of this year's miners intend to return. Besides that, the traders, packers, beef-dealers, steamboaters, and the multitude who follow the successful miner, intend to make preparations for the coming season in Omineca. Such being the facts, no one can doubt but the season of 1872 will give an account of the Omineca mines that may make even Cariboo in the palmiest days pale before our new El Dorado. We will say frankly that we have the fullest faith in the Northern Mines. We fully believe that they contain rich auriferous as well as argenterous deposits, and until our belief shall be proven incorrect we shall continue to judge the Omineca mines as we do other successful mining communities.

#### New Advertisements

##### Missing.

CHARLES THOMAS TAYLOR,  
A carpenter by trade, left the hotel of the  
Metropole, about one month since, and has since been  
out of touch. Any information concerning the whereabouts  
of this young man will be greatly appreciated.  
THOMAS GILROY,  
Matchco.

##### "Social."

EDITOR STANDARD—Through your paper I beg to present the thanks of the Ladies Aid Society of the Methodist Church of Victoria to the young ladies of the congregation for their very successful effort to assist the funds of the Society, and to contribute much to the entertainment of the meeting by their singing.

About three hundred persons were present. The amount realized including the Xmas Tree was not less than \$200.00. President Ladies Aid Society.

##### HOLIDAY NOTICE!

Mrs. E. A. Clark,  
FANCY GOODS EMPORIUM  
HAS ON HAND A LARGE ASSORT-  
MENT OF TOYS AND YOUNG CHILDREN'S  
REQUISITES & CHRISTMAS PRESENTS, ESPECIALLY RE-  
QUESTED BY THE PUBLIC.

ALL KINDS OF CROCHET WORK, &c., ON HAND AND MADE  
TO ORDER. ALSO EMBROIDERY, BRAIDING AND PLAIN SEWING.  
FOR STREET, VICTORIA.

##### DO YOU WANT A

Good Fat Turkey, Goose  
or Poultry?  
IF SO, GO TO  
Wm. B. TOWNSEND'S,

##### FORT STREET.

Wherever you find the best the Province can Produce,  
GAME AND FRUITS  
of All Kinds Constantly on hand.

Notice.  
EVERY CAUTION ALL PERSONS  
against giving credit to any one on my account with-  
out my written order.  
RICHARD BAKER,  
Mount Tolmie Crofton, 16th Dec. 1871.

#### New Advertisements.

##### THEATRE ROYAL.

MUSICAL DIRECTOR—DIBBY PALMER  
LEADER—MR. HAYNES.

THURSDAY Eve, Dec. 21, 1871.

Positively the last appearance of  
CARL BOSCO,

Entire Change of Programme.

GREAT CABINET FEAT EXPOSED!

The Dark Scam Exposed!

Mr. Bosco will perform truly wonderful feats in full sight of the audience, using no doors to the Cabinet, and performing the Dark Scam on a fully lighted chair and removing his coat, which is firmly bound to the chair and revealing it in the same position as when he sat in it, to the entire satisfaction of the audience of spiritualists.

For Full Particulars See Small Bill—\$3 40.

#### NOTICE.

To Volunteers of the Province and all  
whom it may concern, that they  
can obtain

SWORDS, RIFLES, GUNS,  
PISTOLS, &c.,

(Warned to kill at 1000 yards) and all other requisites  
for the Troops of Infantry expected to be on this  
Christmas; also a variety of

Musical Instruments,

CORNETS, TRUMPETS, FIFES,  
DRUMS, &c.,

for Infantry Bands, and a splendid assortment of

New Toys and Fancy Goods,

suitable for presents, which can be had cheap at

T. GORRIE'S

Pioneer Toy and Variety Store,

FORT STREET, VICTORIA.

A CHRISTMAS TREE

WILL BE RAFFLED

at the above store on Saturday Evening, December 20th,  
at 6 o'clock. Tickets to be had at the store.

DELL

ODD FELLOWS HALL.

AT THE MERCHANTS EXCHANGE,

FAMILY WINE AND SPIRIT VAULTS, under the above

Hall, will be opened on Saturday next, a splendid

musical Box Auctioneuse, at 11 o'clock. Also Hams, Game,

Wines, Spirits, &c.

40/- REMAINDER Saturday Evening next, at 8 o'clock.

DELL

Proprietor.

\$200 REWARD

WILL BE PAID FOR THE ARREST

of the burglar who entered London House on

Saturday night, or for the recovery of the Goods stolen;

For the recovery of any portion of the Goods, a proportion

of the reward will be paid.

TURNER, BEETON & TUNSTALL.

Victoria, Dec. 18, 1871.

DELL

For The Holidays.

F. GRELLY,

WHARF STREET,

Offers to Families & Dealers

CHAMPAGNE, WINES & LIQUORS

Selected for the Holidays.

DELL

HOUSEHOLD COAL.

Best Quality Only.

FOR SALE AT SPROAT & CO'S

WHARF,

STORE STREET.

R. SEABROOK, Agent.

DELL

CHINA RICE No. 1

For sale By

LONDON HOUSE.

Turner, Beetton and Tunstall.

DELL

Wharf Street.

ALMINISTRATORS' SALE

ST. JOHN'S DAY.

A Grand Ball

In honor of the Inauguration of the

Grand Lodge of British Columbia.

Will take place on

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1871,

at the

ALHAMBRA HALL,

Under the Management of the Masonic Fraternity of Victoria.

Tickets to Admit Gentlemen & Ladies \$5

Masons can obtain Tickets for themselves and friends, on application to the Secretary

W. B. WILSON,

Wharf Street.

COMMITTEE:

H. L. Jones, R. Lewis, W. Spark, C. Thorne,

S. Dugay, J. E. French, J. G. Gurnett, T. Hobott,

F. H. Heiderman, A. Coates, H. Brown, G. Gurnett,

H. P. Rithet, J. S. Drummond, S. T. Styles,

W. B. WILSON, Secretary.

DELL

Farm to Lease.

TO LEASE FOR A TERM OF YEARS

a valuable Farm, situated at Comox, V. I., com-

prising 210 acres of fertile land, with Houses, Barns, and

all required Outbuildings.

About 150 acres are fenced, of which 90 acres are under

cultivation.

Also at the same time, all the personal

Property of the said Tunis Bodine, deceased,

consisting of Farming Implements, 1 Yoke of Oxen, 1 Bull, 6 Milch

Cows, 4 Two Year Old Steers, 6 Years

Old Hogs, about 12 Tons Timothy and

Oat Hay, about 4 Tons Barley, and

about 300 pounds Timothy seed.

Apply to

MR. DRABBLE,

Comox, Dec. 18, 1871.

DELL

THE HOLIDAYS.

P. ORANEOlli.

Has on hand a full assort-

ment of Toys and Young Children's

GROCERIES, FRUITS, &c.,

Consisting of Imperial Extra FLOUR,

Crushed Sugar, Sandwich Island Sugar Nos. 1 and 2,

Canary Seed, U. S. and Breakfast Tea,

Zante Currants, Sulphur, Malaga Raisins,

Dried Fruits, English Walnuts, Island Jellies, Soft

Preserves, Peas and Lemons,

Also to Arrive Fresh Fruits, Lemons, Grapes,

P. ORANEOlli.

Our door above Oriental Alley.

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##### POOR BUNSTER

Has Received a Portfolio

to keep on

BREWING

the same

EXCELLENT ALE

for the people of the

Province.

DELL

NEW GOODS!

—EX—

MOUNTAIN ASH.

ENAMELLED SAUCEPANS,



## Miscellaneous Advertisements

**Notice! Notice! Notice!**  
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**Wm. Andean's  
VARIETY DEPOT.**  
OPPOSITE  
**ST. NICHOLAS HOTEL.**

Will be found an immense and varied assortment of New and Second-hand Goods, Books—both Scientific and Medical, Educational and Biographical, and last but not least, the vast quantity of light reading matter, such as Novels, &c., which will take away the blues.

100 or more of steel Engravings some of which are by the most eminent artists (Sir Edwin Landseer and others).

Also, A Select assortment of Hats, Caps, &c., with New and Second-hand Goods.

Laces and Gents' Underclothing and Hosiery.

Woolen Goods of every description and a Choice lot of Glass Linings.

**WM. ANDEAN**

Would before concluding, politely invite the Public and others to meet him at his shop for a glass of Chilling Dock at Esquimalt, British Columbia, under the guarantee provided in the twelfth section of the Terms of Reference of the Royal Commission of Canada, which section is in the following words:

"The Dominion Government shall guarantee the payment of the sum of five thousand dollars for the works at the rate of five per centum annum on such amount as does not exceed \$100,000 sterling, as may be required for the construction of a first class Graving Dock at Esquimalt."

The Dock is to be of a clear depth of at least 40 feet, and so constructed as to afford a safe anchorage, not less than 24 fathoms of the silt, and to be substantially built, so as to be suitable for the service of the Navy or parties tendering to subject to the approval of the Government.

Parties tendering are required to specify the time within which they propose to complete the work.

Tenders are to be sealed, unopened. "Tenders for Esquimalt Graving Dock" are addressed to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria, British Columbia, and accompanied by plans and drawings, showing the exact dimensions of the Dock proposed to be built, and a statement of the cost of the same.

Letters of credit may be given by the Royal Commission of Lands and Works Office, 20th November, 1871.

HENRY HOLBROOK,  
Chief Commissioner of Lands & Works.

Go ahead is the Order of the Day.

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Notice to Mariners.

IT IS HEREBY PUBLICLY notified that the Loran Ship, at the Mouth of Fraser River, having been severely injured by the late gales, has been removed for repairs, and will not be in position again for some time. One notice will be given of the date on which the Light will be re-lit.

J. W. TRUCH,

for the Minister of Marine & Fisheries.

16th November, 1871.

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**Sproat & Co.,  
COMMISSION MERCHANTS**

AGENTS FOR

The Royal Insurance Co.,

LIVERPOOL,

ly Wharf Street.

To the Electors of Yale-Lytton and Kootenay District.

GENTLEMEN.—In accordance with the request of the electors of the above district, I have much pleasure in offering myself a candidate for the honor of representing you in the House of Commons at Ottawa.

Your interests being so closely identified with my own affords you the best guarantee that they will be well attended to. I have no personal interest in the late gales, but it is difficult to say at present what matters may come before the House at Ottawa, this session, I shall continue my researches and efforts to the best of my ability, and do all that is essential to the welfare of this Province, and especially that portion of it which I seek to represent.

I will endeavor to procure a regular and efficient Mail Service throughout the populous portions of the District.

I am prepared, at any moment, to respond to the Local House of Assembly, or to a General Assembly of the Province, for legislation at Ottawa, and to support any measure that may be introduced by the appropriation of the necessary funds from the general revenue.

I am in full sympathy with the County Court Judges in this Province.

I am opposed to the Civil List Act at its present form and would like to see it amended, and I shall advocate its repeal or amendment.

I shall give my support to the Dominion Government as far as possible, and shall endeavor to carry out the terms of Union, especially with regard to the construction of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

In conclusion, I should like to do me the honor of entreating with you, my friends, I shall at all times endeavor to prove my worthiness of your confidence.

I have the honor to be, Gentlemen,  
your obedient servant

C. F. HOUGHTON.  
Colonel copy.

**ORIENTAL HOTEL,**

YATES STREET,

Corner Oriental Alley, Victoria, V. I.

Wm McKeon & Chas. H. Trehearne,  
PROPRIETORS

THE LODGING APARTMENTS areas clean as can possibly be kept, and are handsomely furnished with Spring Mattresses, etc. The BAR is constantly supplied with the choicest brands of LIQUORS and CIGARS.

BILLIARD ROOM ATTACHED

ly LD. LOWENBERG

REAL ESTATE AGENT,

Government Street,

Near the corner of Broughton,

WILL PAY PARTICULAR ATTENTION  
to selling, purchasing and leasing property, to negotiating loans and transacting everything connected with Real Estate business.

Maps of all the different Districts on the Island may be seen at his office. Parties desirous of purchasing homesteads, or making investments, will find on his Bulletin Board Town Lots on nearly every street; Farming or Gardening Land in every District some of which affords rare chance for investment.

Money on bond and mortgage to loan, in summing up the demands.

Conveyances of every description done at reasonable rates.

ATTENTION!  
**CHOICE APPLES**

\$1 50 to \$2 per Box.

A. H. FRANCIS,  
Fort Street,

OFFERS FOR SALE FROM 300 TO 500 Boxes of Apples. This fruit will be plucked from the trees as ordered and shipped in good condition to ship to Ouncines or China, etc.

1500 to 2000 lbs of Plums

FOR PRESERVING OR EATING. PRICE LOW.

500 Peaches, Grapes, Fruit from the Tropics by each steamer from California.

On hand as usual.

Groceries Provisions, Flour,

Grain, Butter, Eggs,

Those Chili Peppers have arrived—a beautiful article.

Country Produce purchased.

A. H. FRANCIS,  
Fort street, near Douglas.

100 lbs in day

**California Saloon,**

JOHNSON STREET.

WINES, LIQUORS & CIGARS

Of the best brands, dispensed at the Bar.

In the Saloon are three of Phelan's best.

**BILLIARD TABLES.**

W. MARSH & W. BEALE,  
Proprietors.

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on the Premises.

500 & 1000 lbs

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